

RECOGNIZING NICHOLAS W. KREEGER FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 18, 2004*

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Nicholas W. Kreeger of Kearney, Missouri, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 397, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Nick has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the thirteen years Nick has been involved with scouting, he has held numerous leadership positions, serving as Den Chief, Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader. Nick attended H. Roe Bartle Camp for five years, becoming a member of the Tribe of Mic-O-Say. He was elected to the Order of the Arrow in 1997, Ordeal in 1997, and Brotherhood in 1998.

For his Eagle Scout project, Nick rebuilt a sidewalk at the daycare of the First Christian Church in Kearney.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Nicholas W. Kreeger for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

CELEBRATING 35-YEAR CONGRESSIONAL CAREER OF THE HONORABLE PHILIP M. CRANE OF ILLINOIS

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### HON. DAN BURTON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 17, 2004*

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of my good friend and colleague Representative PHIL CRANE of Illinois on the occasion of his retirement from the United States Congress.

PHIL is one of the most capable, honorable, and well-educated Members to ever grace the hallowed halls of the House of Representatives. He is a man of great integrity and conservative values, serving the great state of Illinois for 35 years. His contributions and accomplishments are legend and will carry on for generations to come.

He and his lovely wife, Arlene, are two of the most patriotic Americans I have ever had the opportunity to meet. I wish them the best in their future endeavors and a long, healthy, and happy retirement. PHIL will sorely be missed. May God bless him and his family.

IN HONOR OF JIM WOLFE

### HON. MICHAEL N. CASTLE

OF DELAWARE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 18, 2004*

Mr. CASTLE. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to honor and pay

tribute to Jim Wolfe upon his becoming President and CEO of the Delaware State Chamber of Commerce. This past February, Jim left his position of eleven years as the plant manager at DaimlerChrysler's Newark Assembly Plant to take the helm of the 2,800-member Delaware State Chamber of Commerce.

Jim, a native of Michigan, joined the Chrysler Corporation in 1964 as a Quality Control Inspector at the Warren Truck Assembly Plant in Michigan. Prior to taking a position at the Newark Assembly Plant in Delaware, Jim had held a variety of positions within the manufacturing operations of DaimlerChrysler, including production manager at the Warren Truck Assembly Plant.

As the plant manager of the Newark Assembly Plant, Jim orchestrated several changes to the facility to make it compatible for the new car models. Jim also oversaw the re-training process of the plant's thousands of workers to give them the skills necessary to do their jobs as effectively and efficiently as possible. Jim capped off his career as plant manager for the Delaware facility by overseeing the October 2003 launch of the new Dodge Durango.

Jim Wolfe is certainly no stranger to the Delaware Chamber of Commerce. In 2002 and 2003, he served as the chairman of the State Chamber's Board of Directors, and has been a long-time member of this board. In addition, Jim has served as the Chairman of the Delaware Manufacturing Association.

Jim has also been very active in the community through the years. He is a board member and past chairman of the United Way of Delaware, as well as a board member and member of the Education Committee of the Delaware Business Roundtable. In 2003, he had the honor of being awarded the Lifetime Achievement Quality Award by the State of Delaware.

Jim Wolfe is truly a well-respected individual within the business community. His experience in, and knowledge of, the business world will certainly be an asset to the people of Delaware as he continues his work as the President and CEO of the Delaware Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank Jim for his hard work and dedication to the Delaware community. I wish him all the best as he works to benefit the citizens of Delaware through his position as President and CEO of the Delaware Chamber of Commerce.

HONORING ADRIAN ROGERS

### HON. MARSHA BLACKBURN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 18, 2004*

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the service and commitment of a beloved Tennessean.

Dr. Adrian Rogers, pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church of Memphis, Tennessee, will be retiring in the spring of 2005. Under his leadership since 1972, Bellevue has grown from 8,000 members to almost 30,000 members.

Through his Love Worth Finding ministry, Dr. Rogers is able to reach listeners around the world everyday. Through television and radio, Dr. Rogers' message is seen on over 14,000 screens and heard on 1,100 radios in the United States and in 150 countries across the globe.

Pastor Rogers has been called three times to lead the Southern Baptist Convention, which is the world's largest Protestant denomination with over 14 million members. He is the only man to have served three terms in that capacity under the present bylaws.

Dr. Rogers is an accomplished author and is considered one of America's most respected Bible teachers. Throughout his career he has been praised for his work. The Reverend Bill Graham has this to say about Dr. Rogers:

"We need for ministers of the Gospel to defend the Bible as the infallible Word of God . . . I believe in my heart that Adrian Rogers is such a man. I know God's hand is upon Adrian Rogers as he proclaims the Bread of Life from his church and through radio and television."

Though, perhaps of all the titles that have accompanied Dr. Rogers: doctor, pastor, teacher, pioneer, and author, the most cherish is husband, father, and grandfather.

It is with great appreciation that I rise to honor Dr. Adrian Rogers for his ministry and service to our community, to Tennessee, and to the nation.

RECOGNIZING BENJAMIN KREEGER FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 18, 2004*

Mr. GRAVES. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Benjamin Kreeger of Kearney, Missouri, a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 397, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Ben has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the ten years Ben has been involved with scouting, he has held numerous leadership positions, serving as Den Chief, Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader, and Junior Assistant Scoutmaster. Ben attended H. Roe Bartle Camp for four years, becoming a member of the Tribe of Mic-O-Say. He was elected to the Order of the Arrow in 2000, Ordeal in 2000, and Brotherhood in 2001.

For his Eagle Scout project, Ben painted all of Kearney's fire hydrants north of Highway 92; he painted the 69 hydrants fire safety yellow.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Benjamin Kreeger for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

THANKING BERNICE BROSIIOUS FOR HER SERVICE TO THE HOUSE

### HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 18, 2004*

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, on the occasion of her retirement in December 2004, we rise to